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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE

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INFO AMEMBASSY HELSINKI

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SUBJECT:VISIT OF AMSPECT WATTENBERG

REF: A) LENINGRAD 1609, B) STATE 251332

1. WE ASSUME EMBASSY WILL RECEIVE WATTENBERG OCTOBER 26 PER
REFTEL B.

FLIGHT ITINERARY FOLLOWS:

OCTOBER 25

LEAVE DC, BN 104, 2:35 P.M.

ARRIVE NY, 3:50

LEAVE NY, PA 44, 6:00 P.M.

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OCTOBER 26

ARRIVE MOSCOW 12:15 P.M.

NOVEMBER 2

TRAIN TO LENINGRAD

NOVEMBER 4

LEAVE LENINGRAD, LO 330, 1:40 P.M.

ARRIVE WARSAW, 1:35 P.M.

LEAVE WARSAW, AY 762, 2:15 P.M.

ARRIVE HELSINKI, 5:00 P.M.

NOVEMBER 5

LEAVE HELSINKI, AY 821, 7:15 A.M.

ARRIVE FRANKFURT, 8:45 A.M.

LEAVE FRANKFURT, LG 302, 9:30 A.M.

ARRIVE LUXEMBOURG, 10:20 A.M.

NOVEMBER 12

LEAVE PARIS, TWA 891, 11:25 A.M.

ARRIVE WASHINGTON, 3:10 P.M.

2. CONCERNING PROGRAM, WE MADE STRONG EFFORT TO PERSUADE WATTENBERG OF IMPORTANCE OF AT LEAST FULL WEEK'S STAY IN MOSCOW. CONSEQUENTLY, HE IS CONSIDERABLY DISAPPOINTED AT THINNESS OF PROGRAMMING CONFIRMED TO DATE, PARTICULARLY WHEN VIEWED AGAINST HIGH HOPES RAISED IN PARAGRAPH1 MOSCOW 13951. HOPEFULLY, SOME ADDITIONAL PROGRAMMING WILL COME THROUGH BEFORE HIS ARRIVAL. DURING BRIEFING TODAY WITH CU/EE AND SOV OFFICERS WATTENBERGSAIDHE STILL HOPES EMBASSY WILL BE ABLE TO FIND DEMOGRAPHER INTERESTED IN TALKING WITH HIM. HE ALSO HOPES THAT HE WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET ARBATOV EITHER AT MEETINGWITH HIS INSTITUTE OR IN SEPARATE COURTESY CALL. VISITOUTSIDE MOSCOW TO ZAGORSK OR SIMILAR TRIP WOULD BE WELCOME.
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FINALLY, WATTENBERG HOPES JOINT MEETING WITH SOMEMULTI-NATIONAL AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN RESIDENT IN USSRCAN BE ARRANGED AT SOME POINT DURING VISIT.

3. FACT THAT WATTENBERG'S BOOK, "THE REAL AMERICA" WAS REVIEWED BY N.P. MOIKIN IN OCT ISSUE OF USA INST JOURNAL MAY POSSIBLY BE USEFUL IN CONFIRMING OTHER SCHEDULING.

4. AMEMBASSY MOSCOW AUTHORIZED TO DISBURSE DOLS 580 PER
DIEM TO WATTENBERG. CHARGE 1069-624099/1961128.4/1916/
310/4100/28411.

5. FOR HELSINKI: EMBASSY AUTHORIZED TO DISBURSE DOLS 406
PER DIEM TO WATTENBERG. CHARGE 1069-624099/1961128.4/
1906/310/4100/20011.

6. WATTENBERG WILL RECEIVE HONORARIUM AND REIMBURSEMENTS
FOR AUTO RENTAL UPON RETURN US.

7. FOR LENINGRAD: TO FACILITATE ONWARD TRAVEL, WATTENBERG
REQUESTS CONSULATE CANCEL SESSION WITH DEMOGRAPHER AND
MOVE UP MEETING WITH LENINGRAD STATE UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT
OF HISTORY FACULTY AND STUDENTS TO MORNING, SO THAT HE
MAY LEAVE FOR HELSINKI THAT AFTERNOON. INGERSOLL

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